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Costume Hire Price List for Schools, Theatre Groups, Performance Groups and Film & Media Groups

Hamilton Operatic Society is a community based group that has been operating and collecting costumes, props, and cloths for 100 years. We have the biggest selection of costumes for hire in the Waikato. We offer Schools, Theatre Groups, Performance Groups, and Film & Media Groups very competitive rates on hireage – which are considerably below our normal hireage rates.

Price List

- \$25-\$40 Specialty - Dresses, Jackets, 3 piece suits
- \$20-\$25 Animal Suits, 2 piece suits
- \$15-\$20 Long Dresses, Tailcoats, Long Coats, Military Uniform piece, Furs, Leather Jackets,
- \$10-\$15 Short Dresses, Capes, Blazers, Specialty Hats, Trousers
- \$7 - \$10 Waistcoats, Petticoats, Skirts, Shirts,
- \$5 - \$10 Hats, Shoes
- \$2 - \$5 Scarves, Braces, Gloves, Socks, Accessories

Note: Dry-clean only items incur an additional \$8 per piece charge for dry-cleaning.
Laundry fee \$1.50 per piece / \$.50c for small items

Costume hire rates are for up to 4-6 week hire.

GST will be added to the final account.

Schools please provide an Order No.

Theatre Groups all details will be sorted via phone and email. A deposit may be required.

Performance Groups who have an account may be invoiced. All other groups payments are to be made on pick-up.

The Process

There are three alternatives:

1. You bring in actors to fit in store. (Refer section 1)
2. You choose costumes and take away to fit. (Refer section 2)
3. Staff select costumes and courier to you - out of town service only. (Refer section 3)

Other specialised options are available upon request.

Section 1 - In Store fittings

- Our experienced staff will help by showing you where stock is located so YOU can independently tailor your concept to your requirements. This is a self-help process in which YOU select costumes and style the look. This service is designed this way to keep prices as low as possible for performance groups. If you wish staff to 'costume' the look there will be an extra specialty fee of \$30 per hour.
- You should have one person in charge of the overall costuming of your performance.
- You and your helpers come in to select costumes Mon/Thur/Fri 12-6pm. Saturday 10-1pm only available upon appointment.

- You should come prepared with knowledge of your costuming needs. (Refer Costume Knowledge Checklist)
- Maximum of 6 actors at one time.
- Any alterations needing to be done to costumes are charged at \$30 per hour.

Section 2 - Costume Appro System

- Our experienced staff will help by showing you where stock is located so YOU can independently tailor your concept to your requirements. This is a self-help process in which YOU select costumes and style the look. This service is designed this way to keep prices as low as possible for performance groups. If you wish staff to 'costume' the look there will be an extra specialty fee of \$30 per hour.
- You should have one person in charge of the overall costuming of your performance. You and your helpers come in to select costumes Mon/Thur/Fri 12-6pm. Saturday 10-3pm. Saturdays only available upon appointment.
- You should come prepared with knowledge of your costuming needs.
- You can select up to 20 items per visit to take away for fittings on your performers.
- Appro is for 3-5 days for fitting purposes only (costumes must not be worn for rehearsals).
- You select more costumes and repeat the process, as necessary.
- Hamilton Operatic Society stores your selection until pick-up date.
- 1 week before opening (or by prior arrangement) you pick up your selected costumes and pay for costumes or provide an order number for invoicing.
- 1 week after your final performance you return costumes.
- Hamilton Operatic can do the Laundry for you. Laundry charges are \$1.50 per garment or \$0.50c on small items. If you wish to do your own laundry please discuss with the wardrobe manager, washing instructions will be provided.
- Any alterations needing to be done to costumes are charged at \$30 per hour.
- A bond may be required.

Section 3 - Costume Sets (out of town performance groups)

Information will be provided upon request.

Note:

- 20% penalties may be incurred for late returns.
- Additional cleaning fee will be charged if garments need to be laundered twice due to stains or make-up removal.
- Lost or Damaged Items will incur a full replacement or repair charge.
- Any costumes you need to alter, need to be discussed with Wardrobe Manager before altering. All Alterations need to be returned to original state before return. Any item not returned to its original state will incur a \$30 an hour alteration fee.

Other Items for hire:

Scenic Backdrops (cloths) – view images and prices on our website

www.hamiltonoperatic.co.nz/cloth-hire/

Don't forget we design and create specialty costumes and sets of costumes too - Please feel free to discuss this option.

Please direct all emails to the Wardrobe Manager at wardrobe@hamiltonoperatic.co.nz or ring 07 8393082 during open hours.

Hamilton Operatic Society - creates theatrical opportunities for our community